

AFTER THE ELECTION.

The Populists are Wondering Why They Did Not Get More Votes.

A few of the populists of this county are talking about two years from now when all of the people of the country will be populists. This is a good deal like the fellow who whistled to keep up his courage while passing through a graveyard. The populists expected to elect their candidate for member of the legislature from this county and made a desperate endeavor to elect one of the county commissioners.

Toward the close of the campaign all but the most utterly blinded followers of their boss saw that they were simply throwing their votes away, but they voted the ticket to keep up the organization. Perhaps the most crushing blow to the leader of the populists was the election of D. P. Carr to the legislature. Had it not been for the wild attempt of the populists to elect Bell, it would have been an easy matter to elect Boone, but the populist managers counted up the votes a week or two before the election and found that they had between 800 and 900 votes for Bell and so they rested easy. It is true that the count after the election did not correspond into several hundred votes with the populist count before election. The populists were a little too visionary; most of them have had experience enough and some will return to the democratic party while others will go back to the republicans.

The party was organized in this county ostensibly for the purpose of purifying politics but it has accomplished nothing toward this end. The independent voters of the county are doing that more effectively than any party organization can do it. It is absolutely necessary for a political party in this county to nominate honest and capable men for the offices to be filled in order to have the nominees of the party elected. The time has gone by when a political convention could name a ticket for the followers of a party to support without inquiring whether the nominees are men capable of discharging the duties of the offices to which they had been nominated.

There are now enough independent voters in this county to elect or defeat any candidate on either ticket, and neither democrats nor republicans need hope to elect men who are not qualified to fill the positions to which they seek to be elected. The populist party had no mission to fulfill in this county and its early demise is not to be mourned to any great degree except by the defeated candidates on the populist ticket and two or three of the leaders of the new party.

Bill's Retreat.

William Swisher, one of the veterans present at the Grand Army encampment

in Pittsburg, was in a Colorado town without money but with a great thirst. He was sizing up a saloon outfit from a corner seat, when a westerner invited him to take a drink.

"No," replied Bill, deliberately, "I will not drink today."

"Won't you Mr. Boiled Shirt?" replied the cowboy. "We shall see." Then he turned to the bartender. "Put 10 whiskey glasses along the bar in a row. Now fill 'em up."

When they were filled he drew a pistol and cocked it.

"Drink down the line," he commanded.

Bill slowly drained each glass. When the last was down he placed it on the counter, set the 10 glasses in line, and turned to the cowboy.

"Now, Mister" said he, "if you have 'em filled again, I'll drink my way back." —Pittsburg Post.

GREATER NEW YORK.

Majority of Votes Cast in Favor of Consolidation.

Returns from New York city and Brooklyn on the greater New York scheme indicate that the majority of the votes were cast in favor of consolidation. A tabulation of the returns at police headquarters showed that the vote of the city on the consolidation issue is in round figures 118,000 for and 83,000 against.

It is evident from returns that a large proportion of voters neglected to cast their ballots upon this question. It is estimated that the majority in New York city in favor of consolidation will reach at least 30,000. In Brooklyn the latest returns showed a total vote of 54,095 for, and 52,937 against the proposition. The scheme for the "Greater New York" proposes to consolidate under one city government of New York and Brooklyn the whole of Richmond and Kings counties, with portions of West Chester and of Queens.

The whole area covered by the "Greater New York" will comprise more than 317 square miles.

According to the last census the population of the cities, counties and towns which is to combine as the greater New York is only a few thousand short of 3,000,000. In the bills which relate to the subject provision is only made for expression of opinion on the part of the people as to the advisability of consolidation. The consolidation will not take effect until legislative provision shall be made upon the subject.

A FAMOUS YEAR.

Some of the Distinguished Men Who Were Born in 1809.

Oliver Wendell Holmes was born on August 29, 1809. William E. Gladstone was born on December 29, 1809. That is a famous year in biography. Charles Darwin was born on February 12, 1809. Edgar Allen Poe was born on February 19, 1809. Alfred Tennyson was born in the same year; so was Pierre Joseph Proudhon, the French social philosopher. It is a year famous in the annals of military history, too, for Marshal Canrobert, the surviving French marshal, was born in that year; so was Leopold O'Donnell, the Spanish general; so was Frederick von Beust, the Austrian statesman, whose power in German affairs was eclipsed at Sadowa. The Italian statesman Ricasoli was born in Florence on March 9, 1809. Park Benjamin, who died in 1864, was born in the same year. For Americans it will always be memorable as the year in which Abraham Lincoln was born.

The death of Dr. Holmes has called up a flood of reminiscence on the subject of old men. Titian, the Italian painter, was 100 years old when he died at Cadore, Italy. Donaldo, when past 90, and utterly blind, stormed Constantinople. Isaac Newton was president of the Royal Society at the age of 83, and Landon finished his "Imaginary Conversations" at the age of 89. Brougham was a debater at 80, and Lyndhurst, when over 90, spoke in the house of lords. Franklin was governor of Pennsylvania at the age of 82. Marshal McMahon was 85 when he died. Neal Dow is now in his ninetieth year. David Dudley Field was 89 when he died. Chevreul, the French chemist, was 102 when he died in 1889. Cassius M. Clay, now living in Kentucky, is 84. Hamilton Fish, governor, United States senator and secretary of state, was another of the famous men born in 1809.—New York Sun.

The tail of the storm which eastern people felt in all its severity failed to twist itself in this direction.

A new restaurant has been opened in the room on Bullard street recently vacated by William Walker.

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